

7TH WAR LOAN FAR SURPASSED

Col. Fletcher Is To Again Head State U. C. C.

Native Of Ashe Is Again Appointed To Important State Post

Raleigh—Col. A. L. Fletcher, a veteran of the present war, was reappointed chairman of the State Unemployment Compensation Commission for a four-year term Friday by Governor Cherry.

In accepting the appointment, Col. Fletcher said he expected to retire under the State Employees Retirement Act when he reaches the age of 65 on July 7, 1946. "Unless the economic situation is such that you will need my services beyond that time, and I shall place my resignation in your hands, he said in a letter to the Governor.

Reappointment to the commission for four-year terms were Dr. Harry A. Wolfe of Chapel Hill, C. E. Cowan of Morganton, and Mrs. W. T. Bost of Raleigh.

The commission now has a surplus. (Continued on Page Four)

Reed Named Pres. Of Lions Club

Succeeds Dr. N. D. Fox As President; Other Officers To Be Installed

Joe Bill Reed will be installed as president of the Sparta Lions club at a meeting to be held July 3 at Bluff Park, when the new officers for the coming year will assume their duties.

Mr. Reed popular teacher and acting principal of Piney Creek high school during the past school year, succeeds Dr. N. D. Fox as president.

Other officers to be installed include Leff Joines, succeeding W. O. Hooper as secretary and treasurer; Ralph Cheek, first vice-president; Clifton Evans, second vice-president; Robert Allison, third vice-president; Granville Liles, lion tamer and J. K. Wagener, tail twister.

Directors of the club are Dr. N. D. Fox, W. O. Hooper, C. C. Castevens, Arthur Gambill and Reid Hampton.

The meeting will be held in the form of a picnic with Lions and their wives meeting at Bluff Park on the Skyland Drive.

Several Arrests Made This Week

A number of arrests have been made here this week by local officers. Awaiting trial is Mrs. Cleta Collins, of Barrett, who was arrested Tuesday on charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor.

Everett Fortner and Velt Fortner, of Barrett, were arrested on charges of destroying public property and each was released under \$150.00 bond for hearing on Saturday at 11 o'clock. Young Tompkins, also of Barrett, was arrested for public drunkenness and was also released under \$150.00 bond for hearing on Saturday.

Jess Sexton was fined \$11.00 last week when his case was heard before Justice of the Peace G. Glenn Nichols. Sexton was arrested for public drunkenness.

18,260 Lbs. Wool Sold By Farmers

Alleghany farmers sold 18,260 pounds of wool in the wool pool here last week, county agent R. E. Black announced this week. Of this amount, 17,205 pounds went as clear wool and 1,056 pounds went as light burry.

The wool which was pooled to the Chatham Manufacturing company at Elkin brought 54 cents per pound or clear wool and 49 cents per pound or light burry, making the total income from the entire wool pool, \$9,708.04. No wool from this county was rejected in the pool, Mr. Black pointed out.

Farmers were particularly pleased with the price they received. 226 farmers participated in the pool.

Last Stronghold Of Japs In Philippines Now Near Collapse

NAMED U. C. C. HEAD



Col. A. L. Fletcher has been re-appointed head of the State U. C. C. by Governor Cherry.

Men Classified By Local Board; Others Inducted

14 Men Are Classified; Seven Leave For Induction At Fort Bragg

The local board this week announced classifications of 14 Alleghany men for military service when one was placed in 1-A; three in 2-A; eight in 2-C; one in 4-A and one in 4-F.

The classification list is as follows:

1-A: Ivorn Wilson.

2-A: William T. Carpenter, Joseph E. Smith and Wade H. Wyatt.

2-C: Arlie J. Maines, Robert L. Joines, Dayton D. Dixon, Walter H. Higgins, Olen R. Black, Ranos H. Andrews, Roy E. Lowe and James E. Mabe.

4-A: Bill Teague.

4-F: Frank L. Choate.

A group of seven Alleghany men left Monday for induction into the armed forces at Fort Bragg.

The group included: James Meredith Sturgill, Howard Harvey Irwin, Foster Lee Mabe, Carl Bert Edwards, James Paul Miles, Jr., Dennis Ray Mabe and Dwight H. Royal.

Alleghany Man Navigator On Bomber



A plane and her crew of eleven men are shown before leaving the States for the Pacific to carry on the war against the Japs. Standing in the center back is Lt. Thomas B. Landreth, navigator, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Landreth, of Sparta. Lt. Landreth graduated from the Air Corps Navigator's School at San Marcos, Texas, and was stationed at Almagor, New Mexico.

Australians Recapture Second Rich Borneo Oil Field From Japs

Imminent American conquest of the last Japanese stronghold in the Philippines and Australian recapture of a second rich oil field on Borneo's west coast were reported by Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters yesterday.

As allied troops scored telling blows in these two campaigns, the American Superfortress command threw another raid against the Japanese homeland—the second within 14 hours—directed against Nippon's main producer of aviation gasoline.

Meanwhile there was some confusion over a reported Japanese broadcast of an allied invasion within a few hundred miles of Japan proper.

A dozen Japanese planes were shot down in attempted night raids on Okinawa. Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz said they dropped a few bombs harmlessly. The Okinawa prisoner bag jumped to 9,498 as mopping up American soldiers and marines brought in new batches.

Nearly 50 B-29s struck Japan's Utsube river oil refinery, Japan's principal producer of aviation gasoline, 18 miles from Nagoya. (Continued on Page 4)

Foster Hackler Dies Suddenly

Well Known Glade Valley Man Dies Of Heart Attack At Age Of 42

Foster M. Hackler, 42, widely-known man of the Glade Valley community and former cashier of the Northwestern Bank at Sparta, died suddenly at his home on Monday afternoon when he suffered a heart attack.

Mr. Hackler, who had been engaged in farming at Glade Valley for a number of years, had been in ill health for sometime, but his death came unexpectedly.

Funeral service was conducted yesterday at the Glade Valley Presbyterian church with Rev. E. W. Thompson and Rev. C. W. Ervin in charge. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

Surviving in addition to his widow, the former Miss Ruth Waddell, are his father, J. L. Hackler, of Glade Valley and one brother, C. Marshall Hackler, of Winston-Salem.

Pallbearers were Clay Thompson, Roscoe Collins, Elmer Edwards, Frank Harris, Albert Evans and Ernest Hoppers.

Charter Signed By Fifty Powers; Truman Speaks

U. S. President Addresses Delegates At Closing Session At San Francisco

San Francisco, Calif. — United nations statesmen signed Tuesday the charter of a new world organization and President Truman closed one of the great assemblies of history with an assurance that "you have created a great instrument for peace."

"The world must now use it!" Mr. Truman said.

Addressing the final plenary session of the United Nations conference, the chief executive appealed to delegates of 50 nations to make the charter "a living thing," to seek its immediate ratification. He promised: "I shall send this charter to the United States senate at once." (Continued on Page Four)

Leff Joines Will Serve As Chm'n Of United War Fund

Organization Meeting Held At North Wilkesboro On Tuesday

R. Leff Joines will serve as chairman of the United War Fund campaign in Alleghany county this year, it was announced yesterday. Joines replaces Joe Bill Reed, who conducted the campaign here last fall.

Mr. Joines, L. E. Ivey and Mrs. Ruth J. Choate represented this county at the luncheon meeting held at the Wilkes hotel, North Wilkesboro, Tuesday, when plans for the 1945-46 War Fund Drive were made.

R. V. Titus, National War Fund chairman, of New York, spoke to the group on the needs and organization of the campaign. Chester A. Kerr, state director, of Raleigh, spoke on the counties' quotas, agreements, operating budgets and local and state budgets.

Chairman for all counties represented offered suggestions as to how the campaign could best be conducted in the different localities.

Alleghany's quota for the drive which will begin in October, has not been announced.

Sat. Last Day To Apply For Sugar

Saturday, June 30, is the last day to turn in applications for canning sugar for this year, Mrs. Robert Fleetwood, clerk of the Alleghany ration board, announced yesterday.

No applications will be accepted later than Saturday, Mrs. Fleetwood pointed out, and all those who have not applied for their sugar should do so at once.

The local board will begin issuing canning sugar on July 2. Mrs. Fleetwood pointed out and the allotments will be mailed to applicants as soon as possible.

The postmasters and mail carriers have been asked to keep a record of each delivery in order that no coupons will be lost, it was explained.

Alleghany county has been allotted approximately 54,000 pounds of canning sugar this year and it will be divided equally among applicants, she stated.

Mrs. Fleetwood also expressed her appreciation and the appreciation of the ration board for the splendid response shown in returning the canning sugar stamps first issued.

FARMERS MUST SECURE SLAUGHTERING PERMITS

Farmers in Alleghany are again reminded that in order to slaughter meat for sale during 1945 they must obtain a permit from the War Price and Rationing Board by July 1, G. D. Richardson, Chairman, said today.

Even though a farmer may not wish to slaughter meat until fall or winter, Mr. Richardson pointed out, he must register with the War Price and Rationing Board before July 1.

Eisenhower Welcomed Back Home



Before returning to the United States to the greatest welcome ever extended a returned officer, General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower was decorated with highest honors of British, Russian and French governments. He is shown with General Marshall after his arrival in Washington.

Stettinius Is Named By Pres. Truman To Represent U. S. On United Nations Council

Tobacco Farmers Must Determine Acreage For AAA

Independence, Md.—President Truman Wednesday revealed that he had accepted the resignation of Edward R. Stettinius as Secretary of State and that he had appointed him to the all-important post of this nation's representative on the United Nations Council.

Mr. Truman made the announcement at a press conference in his home town after flying here from the San Francisco Conference, which he addressed at its closing session Tuesday night.

The Chief Executive said that Stettinius' title will be Representative of the United Nations, American Member of the Secretary of State.

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Extra Gasoline For Furloughs

Additional gasoline rations may be obtained by servicemen having furloughs of more than 30 days, OPA Administrator Chester Bowles has announced. "Furlough gasoline will still be issued at the rate of a gallon a day," Mr. Bowles explained, "but the 30-gallon limit is being removed for the benefit of released American prisoners of war who get leave or temporary duty assignments for sixty days in this country."

"Servicemen applying for furlough gasoline rations should follow these three easy rules: 1, Apply at any local War Price and Rationing Board; 2, Bring along the mileage rationing record for the car to be used; and, 3, Be ready to show furlough papers."

Alleghany Men Serving Uncle Sam



Aviation Cadet Bill C. Choate, left, son of Dr. and Mrs. P. L. Choate, of Sparta, was graduated from Pre-Flight school at Athens, Ga., and is now stationed at the Naval Air School, Norman, Okla. Cpl. C. H. (June) Wright, right, of Ennice, has been overseas for 31 months and wears four Bronze Stars. With the Aviation Engineers, he has seen action from Casablanca to Italy.

County Is Also Over In E Bond Quota For Drive

Total Is Expected To Grow; Chairman Nichols Thanks Everyone

Alleghany county, has again gone "over the top," surpassing the quota of \$110,000.00 in the Seventh War Loan Drive by more than \$25,000.00, with \$135,417.00 reported late yesterday.

The E bond quota of \$86,000.00 has been surpassed by \$1,285.25 with \$87,285.25 reported sold yesterday. This total is expected to swell when reports from all townships come in, Chairman S. R. Nichols stated.

"Alleghany county has again answered the call and oversubscribed the quota in her Seventh War Loan Drive during the present war," Chairman Nichols said and added that the county has never failed to meet a quota in any drive.

"I want to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the township chairmen, assistant chairmen, every worker and every person who bought a bond in the drive," Mr. Nichols stated.

Of the total E bond sales reported yesterday, \$4,730.00 was purchased by servicemen from Alleghany county, it was pointed out. The Northwestern Bank reported \$50,831.25 and the Sparta post office, \$31,725.00.

It was also announced yesterday that the Standard Oil Co., of New Jersey had purchased war bonds in the amount of \$500,000.00 in North Carolina and that of this amount, \$500.00 had been allocated to Alleghany county.

From Whitehead township, the following sales have been reported: Mrs. Jettie C. Matthews, \$500.00 in honor of Ensign Harold C. Joines and Mrs. Mary L. Cheek, \$500.00 in honor of Seaman 3-C Fred F. Cheek, Jr.

Plans Made For Lamb Show Here

Show Will Be Sponsored By Sparta Grange Sometime In August

Plans are now underway for a 4-H and FFA lamb show to be sponsored by the Sparta Grange in August, it was announced this week.

As one of the major projects of the Sparta Grange last year, 28 ewes were given to 4-H and FFA members, the lambs from which would be, in turn, given to other members. From these 28 ewes more than 30 lambs have been raised and will be shown in the lamb show in August, officials stated.

In addition to the promotion of sheep production in this county, the lamb project provides excellent training for 4-H and FFA members, leaders pointed out. It is hoped that the show will stimulate interest in the project and bring members into the clubs.

A dance will be held on July 7 to aid in financing the lamb show, it was announced.

Williams Rites Held On Friday

Funeral service for Jack Williams, 75, of Laurel Springs, was held last Friday at Cranberry Primitive Baptist church with Eld. E. A. Long, officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

The aged Laurel Springs man, son of the late Captain Jim and Elizabeth Williams, died at his home on June 20. He was a member of the Laurel Springs Methodist church.

He was first married to Elvira Woodie, who preceded him in death a number of years ago and was then married to Nannie Cox on June 15, 1932.

Surviving are two children, Bettie Jacqueline and John Todd Williams. Four sisters also survive, Mrs. Dora Dixon, Jefferson; Mrs. Will Duncan, West Jefferson; Mrs. Nannie McClain, Indiana; and Mrs. Bettie Bateman, of Elizabethton, Tenn.